

REMARKS

First, Applicants' representatives thank the Examiner for discussing this case with the undersigned on May 2, 2006. The substance of the interview is set forth below and in the accompanying Statement of Substance of Interview.

Claims 1-9, 11-17 and 19 are all the claims pending in the application. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 9, 11-17, and 19 are allowed, and that claim 4 contains allowable subject matter. The Examiner indicates that the previous rejections of claims 1-3 and 5-8 remain until "the carriage side communication device" and "supply unit communication portion" are properly indicated in the drawings; the drawings are objected to based on these same reasons.

In response, as discussed during the interview on May 2, 2006, Applicants' representatives point out that the claimed carriage side communication device and the supply unit communication portion correspond to the antenna board 410 and IC label 400, as shown in Fig. 5, for example. Therefore, Applicants believe that the Examiner's objections to the drawings are obviated and believe that the claim rejections should be withdrawn at least based on the above clarification and the comments set forth in the previous Amendment filed December 22, 2005.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U. S. Application No. 10/695,446

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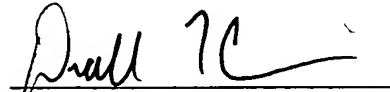
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